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SUBJECT: SOMALI APPROACH TO ITALIANS FOR US HELP

1. RESPONSIBLEFONOFF OFFICIAL (GRASSI) HAS INFORMED US THAT SOMALI AMBASSADOR CALLED AT MINISTRY AUGUST 23 TO SOLICIT ITALIAN INTERVENTION WITH DEPARTMENT WITH AIM OF ENCOURAGING USG PRESSURE ON ETHIOPIA TO ADOPT LESS BELLICOSE STAND IN RELATIONS WITH SOMALIA. DURING PRESENTATION, SOMALI AMBASSADOR ALSO ADVERTED TO INCREASE IN TENSION CREATED BY US ARMS DELIVERIES. IN WHAT ITALIANS CONSIDER AS SIGNIFICANT NUANCE, AMBASSADOR ALSO INDICATED THAT MOGADISCIO MIGHT ADOPT DIFFERENT ATTITUDE TOWARD SOVIET ASSISTANCE IF US COULD OBTAIN PEACEFUL GESTURE (E.G. BORDER TROOP WITHDRAWAL) FROM ETHIOPIA. GRASSI INTERPRETS LATTER HINT AS INDICATION THAT ALL NOT GOING WELL IN SOVIET-SOMALI RELATIONS.

2. GRASSI SAID THAT FOREGOING REPORT SENT TO ITALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON WITH INSTRUCTION TO MAKE LOW KEY REPRESENTATION AT DEPARTMENT. VOLPE

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